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Schiffman & Barroway, LLP, located just outside of Philadelphia, has specialized in complex class action litigation for over sixteen years, representing stockholders and consumers in class action litigation in state and federal courts throughout the United States. During the firm's successful history, Schiffman & Barroway has recovered over one billion dollars for defrauded stockholders and aggrieved consumers. The firm, which has developed a nationwide reputation for excellence, is led by its senior partners, Richard S. Schiffman and Andrew L. Barroway, with assistance from partners, Marc A. Topaz, David Kessler, Krishna B. Narine, Katharine M. Ryan, Stuart L. Berman, and Gregory M. Castaldo and numerous experienced associates and staff.

The firm focuses primarily on the prosecution of securities fraud litigation, derivative actions and transactional litigation brought against public companies, executives, auditors and investment banking firms. In addition, Schiffman & Barroway represents consumers in drug and product litigation as well as employees in ERISA/401K litigation.

Schiffman & Barroway has represented various private institutional investors and public funds, as well as hundreds of individual investors as Lead or Co-Lead Counsel in class action litigation in state and federal courts throughout the United States. Currently, Schiffman & Barroway is acting as Lead or Co-Lead Counsel in class action suits against such companies as Tyco, Computer Associates, and various others. Additionally, Schiffman & Barroway was recently selected by the State of New Jersey to represent the State's interests in the class action litigation against Tenet

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Healthcare Corporation (*In re Tenet Healthcare Corp. Securities Litigation*, No. CV-02-8462-RSWL) and was approved as Co-Lead Counsel in the case. Schiffrin & Barroway is currently involved in several other high profile cases across the country. Of particular note, we are currently prosecuting the action *In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 21 MC 92 (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 12, 2002)(SAS), as one of only six law firms comprising Plaintiffs' Counsel's Executive Committee. Our firm was selected from over sixty law firms which had brought such actions. This litigation, which is pending in the Southern District of New York, challenges the legality of the IPO allocation practices of virtually all of the major investment banking firms from 1998 through 2000 and encompasses over 300 coordinated actions. In addition, we are particularly proud of the results recently achieved as sole lead counsel before the Honorable Joel A. Pisano in *In re AremiSoft Corp. Sec. Litig.*, C.A. No. 01-CV-2486 (D.N.J. 2002). This case was extraordinarily complex as it involved the embezzlement of hundreds of millions of dollars by former officers of the Company who are now fugitives. The settlement of the action against the Company allowed for the Company to be reorganized so it could continue operations while establishing a litigation trust to pursue claims against the Company's auditors, its counsel, as well as those individuals that looted the Company. The Settlement provides the class with a majority of the equity in the new company, Softbrands, as well as their pro rata share of all monies recovered by the litigation trust. The Court-appointed co-trustees of the litigation trust have retained Schiffrin & Barroway to continue prosecuting the actions on behalf of the litigation trust. In this capacity, we have filed an action in the Isle of Man successfully freezing more than \$175 million of stolen funds and are in the process of attempting to recover the money. In addition, we are continuing to pursue the litigation trust's claims against the Company's outside auditors and attorneys. The *AremiSoft*

litigation is a perfect example of one area of the firm's expertise, which is to creatively structure settlements with financially troubled companies.

For clients with large investments, Schiffrin & Barroway will monitor their securities holdings, calculate their losses and alert them when actions relating to their holdings have been filed and/or settled. We also offer advice regarding joining an action, seeking to be a lead plaintiff, opting out of an action, bringing an individual action, and/or filing proofs of claim in order to share in a recovery as a class member.

Further information regarding the firm, the services which we provide, and cases which we are currently litigating can be found on our web-site at <http://www.sbclasslaw.com>.

RICHARD S. SCHIFFRIN

Mr. Schiffrin, a founding partner of the firm, received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1979, where he was a member of the DePaul Law Review. Mr. Schiffrin is licensed to practice law in Illinois and Pennsylvania, and has been admitted to practice before numerous United States District Courts. In his seven years of practice with the Office of the Public Defender of Cook County, Illinois, Mr. Schiffrin represented hundreds of clients in both bench and jury trials, as well as appeals. Mr. Schiffrin has also taught legal writing and appellate advocacy at John Marshall Law School and has served as a faculty member at numerous legal seminars including the Annual Institute on Securities Regulation, NERA:Finance, Law & Economics - Securities Litigation Seminar, the Tulane Corporate Law Institute, and the CityBar Center for CLE (NYC):Ethical Issues in the Practice of Securities Law. Mr. Schiffrin oversees all aspects of litigation on behalf of the firm. Mr. Schiffrin has been recognized for his expertise in numerous cases including most prominently:

- *In re AremisSoft Corp. Sec. Litig.*, C.A. No. 01-CV-2486 (D.N.J. 2002)

In settling this action, which involved the embezzlement of hundreds of millions of dollars by former officers of the Company who are now fugitives, Mr. Schiffrin assisted in reorganizing the Company to allow for it to continue operations, while successfully separating out the securities fraud claims and the bankrupt Company's claims into a litigation trust. Mr. Schiffrin, along with Schiffrin & Barroway partner Stuart Berman, crafted a settlement which calls for the class to receive the majority of the equity in the new company, as well as their pro rata share of any amounts recovered by the litigation trust. In addition, Court-appointed co-trustees of the litigation trust, Joseph P. LaSala, Esq. and Fred S. Zeidman, chose to retain Mr. Schiffrin and the firm to continue to prosecute the actions on behalf of the litigation trust. In this capacity, the firm filed an action in the Isle of Man and successfully froze more than \$175 million of stolen funds and is in the process of attempting to recover the money on behalf of the litigation trust. In addition, Mr. Schiffrin and the firm continues to litigate the trust's claims against the Company's outside auditors and attorneys.

- *Henry v. Sears, et al*, Case No. 98 C 4110 (N.D. Ill. 1999):

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Lead Counsel on behalf of the largest class of credit card holders in history. At stake was the right of Sears and its newly formed affiliate, Sears National Bank ("SNB"), to retroactively increase the interest rates on eleven million credit card accounts with outstanding balances resulting from purchases made prior to the accounts being transferred to SNB. Schiffrin & Barroway alleged that such conduct violated the Truth-in-Lending Act ("TILA"), the National Banking Act and state consumer fraud statutes. After extensively litigating various aspects of liability, an additional nine months were then spent determining damages. The extraordinary complexity of the damage calculations required Mr. Schiffrin and experts from both parties to develop, test and utilize a novel computer model to ascertain total damages for the class and

individualized damages for each class member. Ultimately, Mr. Schiffrin and his partner, Mr. Kessler, were able to negotiate a \$156 million settlement, which represented approximately 66% of total damages. In approving the settlement, District Court Judge Leinenwebber of the Northern District of Illinois stated:

... I am pleased to approve the settlement. I think it does the best that could be done under the circumstances on behalf of the class. ... The litigation was complex in both liability and damages and required both professional skill and standing which class counsel demonstrated in abundance.

The entire settlement fund of \$156 million was distributed without the filing of a single proof of claim form by any class member.

- *Wanstrath v. Doctor R. Crants, et al., C.A. No. 99-1719-III (Tenn. Chan. Ct., 20th Judicial District, 1999):*

Schiffirin & Barroway served as Lead Counsel in a derivative action filed against the officers and directors of Prison Realty Trust, Inc., challenging the transfer of assets from the Company to a private entity owned by several of the Company's top insiders. Numerous federal securities class actions were pending against the corporation at this time. Through the derivative litigation, the Company's top management was ousted, the composition of the Board of Directors was significantly improved and important corporate governance provisions were put in place to prevent future abuse. Mr. Schiffirin, in addition to achieving these desirable results, was able to personally effectuate a global settlement of all pending litigation against the backdrop of an almost certain bankruptcy. The case was resolved in conjunction with the federal securities cases for the payment of approximately \$50 million by the Company's insurers and the issuance of over 46 million shares to the class members.

- *Jordan v. State Farm Insurance Company, Case No. 97 CH 11 (Circ. Ct., McLean County, Ill. 1998):*

Schiffirin & Barroway brought a claim on behalf of multiple plaintiffs alleging that State Farm had engaged in fraudulent sales practices by "churning" policies and marketing and selling "vanishing premium" policies that never "vanished." After several years of discovery, motion practice and settlement negotiations, Mr. Schiffirin played a critical role in resolving the action for \$225 million in cash, dividend enhancements and other monetary benefits for current and former State Farm policyholders. Schiffirin & Barroway also has achieved substantial settlements in 20 additional cases alleging fraudulent sales practices by various insurance companies.

Mr. Schiffirin also has represented defrauded shareholders and companies in complex class and derivative actions including the following:

- *Huscher v. Curley, et. al., No. 00 Civ. 21379 (Mich. Cir. Ct., 2000) (In re Sotheby's Holdings, Inc. Derivative Litigation):*

Schiffirin & Barroway served as Lead Counsel in a derivative action arising out of Sotheby's alleged antitrust price fixing conspiracy with auction house rival Christie's International PLC. A multi-million dollar settlement was negotiated by Mr. Schiffirin whereby Diana Brooks (Sotheby's President at the time of the alleged wrongdoing) agreed to relinquish all of her Sotheby's stock options and the Company's insurance carrier made a substantial monetary payment to the Company. In addition, significant changes in the Company's top management and Board of Directors were achieved in conjunction with the settlement of the litigation.

- *Dana v. Trans Lux Corp., et al., Del. Ch., C.A. No. 9755 (settlement approved Aug. 4, 1988), aff'd sub nom., Nottingham Partners v. Dana, 564 A.2d 1089 (Del. 1989):*

Schiffirin & Barroway, as Co-Lead Counsel, challenged the board of directors' adoption of anti-takeover provisions in the company's by-laws and certificate of incorporation. The plaintiff

agreed to settle his claims in exchange for a nullification of certain certificate amendments, a change in the by-laws, and an expansion of the company's stock repurchase program. The Chancery Court noted that "a good part of the Dana lawsuit is being settled on a hundred percent basis [I]t wouldn't be inaccurate to say that the settlement would represent a complete victory for the Dana plaintiffs."

ANDREW L. BARROWAY

Andrew L. Barroway, a partner of the firm, received his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where he was a member of the ABA Negotiation team. He is licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and has been admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Mr. Barroway has been actively involved in all aspects of litigation on behalf of the firm, and co-manages the firm's securities department. Of his numerous successful representations of shareholders, several stand out as exceptional:

- *In re: Digital Lightwave, Inc. Securities Litigation, Consolidated Case No. 98-152-CIV-T-24E (M.D. Fla. 1999):*

Schiffirin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel in one of the nation's most successful securities class actions. After extensive litigation and negotiations, Mr. Barroway negotiated a settlement of over \$180 million in cash and stock, a recovery representing in excess of two hundred percent (200%) of class members' losses. Schiffirin & Barroway believes that this settlement represents the largest percentage recovery for shareholders in securities class action history.

- *In re PaineWebber Short-Term U.S. Government Fund Securities Litigation, No. 94-3820 (S.D.N.Y. 1994):*

Schiffirin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel on behalf of plaintiffs alleging violations of the federal securities laws based upon material misrepresentations concerning the Fund's

investment objectives and the risks associated with the Fund. Pursuant to the settlement, defendants made payments and provided fee waivers totaling more than \$36 million, \$33 million of which was in cash. In addition, defendant PaineWebber repurchased ten mortgage-backed securities from the Fund for an aggregate price in excess of \$50 million, thus removing the illiquid securities from the Fund.

Mr. Barroway, along with his partner, Mr. Kessler, has also recently negotiated substantial settlements of securities class actions in which Schiffrin & Barroway was Lead or Co-Lead Counsel against Pinnacle Holdings, Cell Pathways, Gateway, Mercator and NetSolve. Mr. Barroway currently represents numerous public and private investment funds, money management firms and individuals in securities fraud litigation as Lead Counsel in actions against Accelerated Networks, ATI Technologies, CompUSA, Livent, NX Networks, Penn Treaty, Performance Technologies, Republic New York, Steven Madden, Vari-L, Kindred Healthcare, The Interpublic Group of Companies, Tenet Healthcare Corporation, and various others.

MARC A. TOPAZ

Mr. Topaz, a partner of the firm, received his law degree from Temple University School of Law, where he was an editor of the Temple Law Review and a member of the Moot Court Honor Society. He also received his Master of Law (L.L.M.) in taxation from the New York University School of Law where he served as an editor of the New York University Tax Law Review. He is licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and has been admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Mr. Topaz manages the firm's derivative and transactional departments. In this regard, Mr. Topaz has been actively involved in litigating the following prominent cases:

- *In re MTC Electronic Shareholder Litigation, No. CV-93-0876 (E.D.N.Y. 1993):*

Schiffrin & Barroway served as co-counsel in a case involving securities fraud by MTC, its officers and directors, underwriters and accountants. The case presented novel issues of Chinese law and required the construction of a database of hundreds of thousands of documents utilized in numerous party and non-party depositions. A \$72 million settlement was achieved on the eve of trial.

- *In re Oppenheimer Capital, L.P., Unitholders Litigation, Consolidated No. 16022NC (Del. Ch. Ct. 1997):*

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel on behalf of plaintiffs alleging that a merger proposed by Pimco Advisors benefitted certain Pimco insiders by disproportionately allocating tax benefits achieved from the restructuring of a limited partnership and failing to provide adequate compensation to the Oppenheimer shareholders. Plaintiffs moved to enjoin the transaction and a settlement was reached whereby defendants agreed to pay a special dividend to Oppenheimer limited partners of approximately \$16 million.

- *Wanstrath v. Doctor R. Crants, et al., C.A. No. 99-1719-III (Tenn. Chan. Ct., 20th Judicial District, 1999): (description above)*

DAVID KESSLER

Mr. Kessler, a partner of the firm, graduated with distinction from the Emory School of Law. He is licensed to practice in Pennsylvania and New Jersey and has been admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. He is also a Certified Public Accountant in Pennsylvania. Mr. Kessler co-manages the firm's nationally recognized securities department. In addition to his important role in *Henry v. Sears, et al, Case No. 98 C 4110 (N.D. Ill. 1999)*, Mr. Kessler has achieved the following outstanding results in federal securities cases:

- *In re Initial Public Offering Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 21 MC 92 (S.D.N.Y. Dec. 12, 2002)(SAS):

Mr. Kessler, along with Mr. Schiffrin, is presently heading up the firm's litigation efforts in its prominent position as an executive committee member in this action. Of the sixty plaintiffs firms which originally filed actions in these coordinated proceedings, Schiffrin & Barroway was one of only six selected to serve on the executive committee. The coordinated actions, which have been filed against 308 separate issuers of publicly traded securities, challenge the legality of the practices which accompany the allocations of shares in initial public offerings. In addition to suing the issuers of such securities, the 308 coordinated actions also name as defendants the primary investment banking firms which underwrote the offerings. This case, which has received a great deal of national and international media attention, is widely considered the largest securities class action litigation in history.

- *In re Assisted Living Concepts, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Lead Case No. 99-167-AA (D.Or. 1999):

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel and was instrumental in obtaining a \$30 million recovery for class members from the Company, its executive officers and directors, and several underwriters for their role in an alleged complex accounting fraud involving the use of a purportedly independent joint venture to absorb the Company's start-up losses. Even after this \$30 million recovery, through counsel's efforts, an additional \$12.5 million was obtained from the auditors providing for a total recovery of \$42.5 million.

- *In re Twinlab Corporation Securities Litigation, Master File No. 98-CV-7425 (E.D.N.Y. 1998):*

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel and successfully litigated the action and was able to negotiate a settlement in the amount of \$26 million plus interest which was recently approved by the Court.

- *In re Cumulus Media Inc. Sec. Litig., Lead Case No. 00-C-391 (E.D. Wis. 2000):*

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Lead Counsel and successfully litigated the action and negotiated a settlement of \$13 million in cash and 240,000 shares of freely tradable stock in Cumulus Media, which traded for approximately \$19 per share, for a total settlement value of \$17.5 million at the time the settlement was approved by the Court.

- *In re Petco Animal Supplies, Inc. Securities Litigation, Master File No. 98 CV 1521-L (S.D. Cal. 1998):*

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel and was able to obtain a recovery of \$8.9 million for class members. Claims involved the alleged use of a growth-by-acquisition strategy that masked the Company's declining results.

- *In re Detection Systems, Inc. Securities Litigation, Master File No. 98-CV-6068 (CJS) (W.D.N.Y. 1998):*

Schiffrin & Barroway served as Co-Lead Counsel and was instrumental in obtaining a recovery of \$6.3 million for class members against the Company, certain of its officers and directors, and certain underwriters of the Company's offerings. Claims were brought against these defendants as a result of material misrepresentations and omissions regarding the Company's faltering internal control systems.

- *In re Tel-Save Holdings, Inc., Master File No. 98-CV-3145 (E.D. Pa. 1998):*

Schiffrein & Barroway served as Lead Counsel in this action. After three years of intense litigation, Schiffrein & Barroway was able to negotiate a settlement of \$5.75 million in cash on behalf of class members.

Mr. Kessler, along with other members of the firm, is currently litigating, as Lead or Co-Lead counsel, securities actions brought against such companies as Tyco, Halliburton, PNC Bank, The Interpublic Group of Companies, Computer Associates, CVS, Livent, K-Mart, McLeod USA, New Power, The Interpublic Group of Companies, and various others.

KRISHNA B. NARINE

Mr. Narine, who received his law degree from The Georgetown University Law Center, manages Schiffrein & Barroway's antitrust department. Previously, Mr. Narine was a partner at Meredith, Cohen, Greenfogel & Skimick, P.C., a firm which specializes in complex antitrust litigation. While at Meredith Cohen, Mr. Narine was actively involved in complex antitrust litigation for over thirteen years, and personally participated in two of the largest antitrust cases in history:

- *In re Nasdaq Market-Makers Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 1023 (S.D.N.Y.) (settlement of \$1.125 billion); and*
- *In re Brand Name Prescription Drugs Antitrust Litigation, C.A. No. 94C897 and MDL No. 997 (N.D. Ill.) (settlement of \$750 million).*

Mr. Narine also has played a prominent role in litigating the following antitrust cases: *In re Commercial Tissue Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 1189 (N.D. Fla.); In re Carbon Dioxide Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 940 (M.D. Fla.); In re Drill Bits Antitrust Litigation, C.A. No. H-91-627 (S.D. Tex.); Cumberland Farms, Inc. v. Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc., C.A. No. 87-3717 (E.D. Pa.);*

In re Vitamins Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 1285 (D.D.C.); and *In re Isostatic Graphite Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1857 (E.D. Pa.).

KATHARINE M. RYAN

Ms. Ryan, prior to joining Schiffrin & Barroway, was a member of the firm of Savett Frutkin Podell & Ryan, P.C. from its inception in October 1991 through January 2002. Prior to the formation of her firm, from 1984 to 1991, Ms. Ryan was an associate at Kohn, Savett, Klein & Graf, P.C., in Philadelphia. Ms. Ryan graduated cum laude from Villanova University School of Law in May, 1984. She is a member of the Philadelphia Bar Association.

Ms. Ryan has represented plaintiffs in numerous shareholder class action lawsuits, including *In re Apple Computer Securities Litigation*, Master File No. C-8420148(A)(RPA) (N.D. Ca.); *In re Computer Input Services, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 83-1393 (E.D. Pa.); *First Jersey Securities Litigation*, C.A. No. 85-7059 (E.D. Pa.); *Gulf States Utilities, Co.*, C.A. No. B-624-CA (E.D. Pa.); *Nissim Husni v. Nutri/System, Inc.*, C.A. 86-0800 (E.D. Pa.); *Western Union Securities Litigation*, C.A. Nos. 74-3241, 78-201 (E.D. Pa.); *Aaron D. Stauber v. Caesars World, Inc.*, Consol. C.A. No. CA 001019 (Superior Court, Los Angeles, Ca.); *Natalie Trager, et al. v. Payless Cashways, Inc., et al.*, C.A. No. CV88-14667 (Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri at Kansas City); *Duquesne Light Company Securities Litigation*, No. 86-1756 (W.D. Pa.); *In re Days Inns Corp. Shareholders Litigation*, Consol. C.A. No. 9455 (Del. Chancery Ct.); *In re General Development Corp. Securities Litigation*, Consol. C.A. No. 90-0691-CIV-MARCUS (S.D. Fla., Miami Div.); *In re Network Equipment Technologies Securities Litigation*, Master File No. C-90-1138-DLJ (N.D. Cal.); *In re United Telecommunications, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Consol. C.A. No. 90-2251-0 (D. Kansas); *In re Scott Paper Company Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 90-6192 (E.D. Pa.); *In re Avon Products, Inc. Securities Litigation*, C.A. No. 89 Civ. 6216 (MEL)

(S.D.N.Y.); *In re Centocor Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 92-CV-1071 (E.D. Pa.); *In re U.S. Bioscience Securities Litigation*, Civil Action No. 92-0678 (E.D. Pa.); *In re Xytronyx Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 92-194-H (CM) (S.D. Cal.); *In re Dime Savings Bank of New York Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 89-2189 (JM), MDL Docket No. 846 (E.D.N.Y.); *In re Perfumania, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Case No. 92-1490-CIV-MARCUS (S.D. Fla., Miami Div.); *In re PNC Securities Litigation*, Civil Action No. 90-0592 (W.D. Pa.); *In re Bank of Boston Corp. Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 89-2269-H (D.MA.); *In re Intelligent Electronics, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 92-1905 (E.D. Pa.); *In re Numerex Securities Litigation*, Civil Action No. 95-4378 (E.D. Pa.); *In re Synergen, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Civil Action No. 93-B-402 (D.Colo.); *In re Ceridian Corporation Securities Litigation*, Master File No. 7-2044 MJD/AJB (D. Minn.); *In re Corel Corporation Inc. Securities Litigation*, C.A. No. 00-CV-1257 (E.D. Pa.); *H. Carl McCall v. Richard L. Scott, et al.*, No. 3-97-0838 (M.D. Tenn., Nashville Div.); *In re Aetna Inc. Securities Litigation*, MDL No. 1219 (E.D. Pa.); and numerous others.

STUART L. BERMAN

Mr. Berman, a partner of the firm, received his law degree from The National Law Center at George Washington University. He is licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey and has been admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. Mr. Berman has specialized in the area of securities litigation and serves in the firm's case development department, which involves client contact, and litigation strategy. In addition, Mr. Berman has specialized in managing the firm's lead plaintiff litigation and has been instrumental in enabling various of the firm's institutional and individual clients to serve as lead plaintiffs in important cases, such as *In re Tenet Healthcare Corp. Securities Litigation*, No. CV-02-8462-RSWL (C.D. Ca. 2002), *In re*